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PRESS

Issued press release on R9 Federal Green Challenge awardees: [U.S. EPA honors five Bay Area federal facilities for going green](#) (Michele Huitric)

Inside EPA (Suzanne Yohannan) [Received 7/12] – OPEN -- Reporter has questions related to Hunters Points, Tetra Tech, and a possible EPA criminal investigation. Sent proposed response to HQ for review. DDL: 7/13, 4 pm ET. SF, Michele Huitric

Native America Calling (Andi Murphy) [Received 7/12] – OPEN – Radio producer would like to book EPA staff on radio show to discuss the NECR cleanup work. Sent producer questions regarding format, timing, whether or not it's a live show and requested topics/questions. Waiting to hear back. Margot Perez-Sullivan SF

News21 (Nicole Tyan) [Received 7/12] – OPEN – Team of 29 journalists using SDWIS data looking at links between drinking water violations and agricultural operations. Waiting on additional information from reporter. Previously sent different reporter information on Dizel Libei Elementary in Cameron, AZ, and assisted a third reporter with data interpretation. Flagged for HQ (then & today) as this is a national story. Margot Perez-Sullivan WTR

Center for Investigative Reporting (Freelancer Autumn Spanne) [Received 7/6] – OPEN – Reporter initially reached out regarding Navajo AUM work and the President’s proposed budget. Sent reporter to HQ. Reporter requested fact checking on a variety of different historical items and temporary relocation efforts at NECR, coordinating with program to provide accurate information. Will need to get input from Region 6 prior to HQ for approval. Margot Perez-Sullivan SF

Knight Wallace Fellow/BBC Reporter (Leana Hosea) [Received 6/28] – OPEN – Documentary filmmaker looking to go to Navajo to film assessment and cleanup work. Reporter sent a copy of her Navajo film permit. Her film crew will arrive July 20. She is interested in Cove work. Spoke to ethics attorney who recommends we have a statement prepared for staff if/when film crew shows up at site work. Spoke to HQ today to determine how they want region to respond. Reporter is in talks with PBC Independent Lens as well as Netflix and Amazon to sell a documentary on Navajo water issues. Margot Perez-Sullivan SF

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Federal Green Challenge – Posted to our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages congratulatory messages to the five winners in Region 9 and linked to our [Federal Green Challenge Awards](#) page.

Web Updates:

Clean Air Act Permit – Published the [Public Notice: Red Hawk Casino; Proposed Synthetic Minor Permit for Use in Indian Country within California](#).

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Sen. John McCain (R-AZ): Brent Maier coordinated and participated via teleconference in a meeting in the Senator's Phoenix Office along with Superfund's Mindy Clements, Jose Garcia, and Rusty Harris-Bishop for a discussion on Brownfields along with representatives from ADEQ including Brian Stonebrink, Unit Manager; Steve Heaton, Executive Projects Coordinator; and Jennie E. Curé, Brownfields Coordinator; and City of Phoenix Representatives including Rosanne Albright, Environmental Programs Administrator (Acting); and Frank McCune, Government Relations Director. This meeting was a follow-on to a recent discussion we had on Brownfields with Nick Matiella in the Senator's DC office. Participants from the Senator's office included Nick Matiella, Legislative Assistant in the Senator's DC office, and Austin Kennedy, Legislative Liaison in the Senator's Phoenix Office. Superfund's Rusty Harris-Bishop is preparing a summary of the meeting.

Sen. Kamala Harris (D-CA): The Senator's Legislative Counsel, William Niebling, reached out to Brent Maier regarding his interest in better understanding some recent air rules, EC 2054, -55, and -57 which are California air plan revisions. Air Division's Andy Steckel is taking the lead in reaching out to William and has noted that his request involve the Western Mojave ROP; Great Basin/Mammoth rules; and Mendocino permits. Andy is working with his Air Division colleagues and will be reaching out to set up a follow-up call with William Niebling.

Gov. Jerry Brown (D-CA): Gov. Brown is fiercely opposing a House measure, H.R. 23, aimed at rebalancing the state's complex and fragile water systems. "This bill overrides California water law, ignoring our state's prerogative to oversee our waters. Commandeering our laws for purposes defined in Washington is not right," Brown wrote in a [letter](#) to House Speaker [Paul Ryan](#) Tuesday. [H.R. 23 \(115\)](#) from Central Valley Republican [David Valadao](#) - Republicans' second go at drought relief after passing a bipartisan measure into law last year - is slated for consideration on the House floor as soon as today with only a handful of amendments allowed. California's two Democratic senators have opposed the measure, leaving it with long odds of overcoming a filibuster in the upper chamber. – *Politico's Morning Energy*

Congressional Outreach on Federal Green Challenge Grants: Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of Senator's Diane Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Representatives Nancy Pelosi, Mike Thompson, Mark DeSaulnier, and Eric Swalwell regarding EPA's recognition of five federal agencies—Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Agriculture, Department of Energy, Department of Labor, and the Presidio Trust—for improving efficiency, saving resources and reducing costs at their Bay Area federal facilities as part of the Federal Green Challenge (FGC).

Tomorrow - Rep. Pete Aguilar (D-CA-31) and Rep. Norma Torres (D-CA-35) : Brent Maier has confirmed a "joint" meeting on **Thursday, July 13th at 10:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with Curt Lewis, Constituent Service Representative/Faith Based Liaison in Congressman Aguilar's San Bernardino District Office

and with Marc Hanson, District Director in Congresswoman Norma Torre's Ontario office. Please note that Congressman Aguilar has the Rockets, Fireworks, and Flares; Newmark; and Norton Air Force Base Superfund Sites in his District and Congresswoman Norma Torres has no NPL sites in her District. Superfund's Nadia-Hollan Burke, Wayne Praskins, and Mariam Fawaz will be participating to provide updates on their respective Superfund Sites.

San Diego Border Office Briefing on Border Water Infrastructure: At the request of Water Division, Brent Maier sent out calendar invites to Congressional staff to participate in an upcoming meeting to be held in our San Diego Border Office on Wednesday, July 19th from 2:00pm – 3:00pm to update staff on EPA's Border water infrastructure program. Participants from EPA will include Tomás Torres, Mike Montgomery, David Albright, Doug Liden, and Hector Aguirre, Director, San Diego Border Office. Brent also offered up a teleconference line for participants not able to attend in person. We have received RSVPs from seven (7) Congressional staff including: Rudy Vargas, District Representative in Sen. Kamala Harris' office; Janine Bryant, District Director and Paola Guzman, District Representative in Rep. Juan Vargas' office; MaryAnne Pinter, District Director in Rep. Scott Peters' office, Bill Christensen, District Director in Rep. Darrell Issa's office; Jessica Mier, District Representative in Rep. Susan Davis' office; and Bill Kratz in Sen. Dianne Feinstein's office have RSVP'd that they plan to attend.

Upcoming Congressional District Office Meetings:

Rep. Tony Cardenas (D-CA-29): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Tuesday, July 18th at 9:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with Gabriela Marques, District Director in the Congressman's Panorama City District Office.

Rep. Brad Sherman (D-CA-30): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Tuesday, July 18th at 11:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with Scott Abrahms, District Director in the Congressman's Sherman Oaks District Office.

Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA-43): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Wednesday, July 19th at 10:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with Special Projects Director Hamilton Cloud in the Congresswoman's Los Angeles District Office. Please note that the Congresswoman has the Montrose/Del Amo Superfund Sites in her District.

Rep. Raul Ruiz (D-CA-36): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Thursday, July 20th at 1:00pm** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with Jacqueline Lopez,, District Director in the Congressman's Palm Desert District Office. Please note that the Congressman has no Superfund Sites in his District.

Rep. Grace Napolitano (D-CA-32): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Tuesday, July 25th at 9:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with District Director Perla Hernandez in the Congresswoman's El Monte District Office. Please note that the Congresswoman has the San Gabriel Valley Areas 2 & 4 Superfund Sites in her District.

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting on **Wednesday, August 2nd at 10:00am** with Steven Leonido-John of our Southern California Field Office with the Congresswoman's Los Angeles District Director Ana Figueroa. Please note that the Congresswoman has the Pemaco/Maywood Superfund Sites in her District and has also asked for an update on the ongoing cleanup of the Exide facility in Vernon and the ongoing issues in the City of Paramount.